

Amendments to the Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A display device for displaying, on a display screen, information specified in a document description language for a structured document, the information being displayed in a mode prescribed for the document description language, and performing a screen switching in response to a user input, said device comprising:

~~analysis means~~ an analyzer for analyzing said ~~operable to analyze the~~ information, and ~~dividing said~~ operable to divide the information into a plurality of component elements;

~~rule change instruction means~~ a rule change instruction part for making ~~operable to make~~ an instruction for a change of ~~layout~~ rules to be applied when displaying ~~to said~~ the information;

~~layout rule change means~~ a layout rule change part containing a plurality of predetermined layout rules applicable to the document description language, said layout rule change part operable to select for selecting one of said the layout rules responding to the instruction from said rule change instruction ~~means~~ part;

~~layout means~~ a layout part for laying ~~operable to lay out each of said~~ the component elements derived by said ~~analysis means~~ analyzer according to the layout rule selected by said layout rule change ~~means~~ part;

~~user input means~~ a user input part for receiving ~~operable to receive the~~ user input;

~~display range determination means~~ a display range determination part for determining ~~operable to determine a display range of said~~ the information based on ~~said~~ the user input; and

~~display means~~ a display part for generating ~~operable to generate screen data of the display range determined by said display range determination~~ ~~means~~ part based on ~~said~~ the component elements derived by said ~~analysis means~~ analyzer and a layout result of each of ~~said~~ the

component elements, and ~~displaying~~ operable to display the screen data on the display screen.

2. (Currently Amended) The display device according to claim 1, wherein ~~said~~ the information includes at least one or more of a text element, a table element, and an image element.

3. (Currently Amended) The display device according to claim 1, wherein ~~said~~ the document description language is a markup language or a hypertext description language.

4. (Currently Amended) The display device according to claim 1, wherein said rule change instruction ~~means~~ part receives the user input, and makes the instruction for the change of the layout rules.

5. (Currently Amended) The display device according to claim 1, wherein said rule change instruction ~~means~~ part refers to the display range determined by said display range determination ~~means~~ part, and makes the instruction for the change of the layout rules based on an attribute of each of ~~said~~ the component elements included in the display range.

6. (Currently Amended) The display device according to claim 1, wherein said rule change instruction ~~means~~ part refers to the display range determined by said display range determination ~~means~~ part, and makes the instruction for the change of the layout rules based on the layout result of each of ~~said~~ the component elements included in the display range.

7. (Currently Amended) The display device according to claim 1, wherein each of ~~said~~ the layout rules included in said layout rule change ~~means~~ part defines a layout method for each type of ~~said~~ the component elements of ~~said~~ the information.

8. (Currently Amended) The display device according to claim 1, wherein the layout rules to be selected by said layout rule change ~~means~~ part include one type of layout rule for laying out a table element included in ~~said~~ the information in a table structure.

9. (Currently Amended) The display device according to claim 1, further comprising a user input process rule change ~~means~~ part containing a plurality of predetermined user input process rules applicable to said user input, said user input process rule change part operable to select for selecting one of ~~[[a]]~~ the plurality of user input process rules ~~applicable to said user input~~ according to the instruction from said rule change instruction ~~means~~ part, wherein said display range determination ~~means~~ part follows the user input process rule selected by said user input process rule change ~~means~~ part, and determines the display range of ~~said~~ the information based on ~~said~~ the user input.

10. (Currently Amended) The display device according to claim 9, wherein said rule change instruction ~~means~~ part instructs, at the same time, said layout rule change ~~means~~ part for the change of the layout rules, and said user input process rule change ~~means~~ part for the change of the user input process rules.

11. (Currently Amended) A display device for displaying, on a display screen, information specified in a document description language for a structured document, the information being displayed in a mode prescribed for the document description language, and performing a screen switching in response to a user input, said device comprising:

~~analysis means~~ an analyzer for analyzing said ~~operable to analyze the~~ information, and ~~operable to divide the~~ ~~dividing~~ said information into a plurality of component elements;

a rule change instruction part operable to make an instruction for a change of rules to be applied when displaying the information;

~~layout means~~ a layout part for laying ~~operable to lay out~~ each of said ~~the~~ component elements derived by said ~~analysis means~~ analyzer;

~~user input means~~ a user input part for receiving ~~operable to receive~~ the user input;

~~rule change instruction means~~ ~~for making an instruction for a change of user input process rules to be applied to said user input;~~

~~user input process rule change means~~ a user input process rule change part containing a plurality of user input process rules applicable to the user input, said user input process rule change part operable to select ~~for selecting~~ one of said ~~the~~ user input process rules according to the instruction from said rule change instruction ~~means part;~~

~~display range determination means~~ a display range determination part for following ~~operable to follow~~ the user input process rule selected by said user input process rule change ~~means part~~, and operable to determine ~~determining~~ a display range of said ~~the~~ information based on said ~~the~~ user input; and

~~display means a display part for generating~~ operable to generate screen data of the display range determined by said display range determination ~~means part~~ based on ~~said the~~ component elements derived by said ~~analysis means~~ analyzer and a layout result of each of said the component elements, and operable to display ~~displaying~~ the screen data on the display screen.

12. (Currently Amended) The display device according to claim 11, wherein ~~said the~~ information includes at least one or more of a text element, a table element, and an image element

13. (Currently Amended) The display device according to claim 11, wherein ~~said the~~ document description language is a markup language or a hypertext description language.

14. (Currently Amended) The display device according to claim 11, wherein said rule change instruction ~~means part~~ receives the user input, and makes the instruction for the change of the user input process rules.

15. (Currently Amended) The display device according to claim 11, wherein said rule change instruction ~~means part~~ refers to the display range determined by said display range determination ~~means part~~, and makes the instruction for the change of the user input process rules based on an attribute of each of ~~said the~~ component elements included in the display range.

16. (Currently Amended) The display device according to claim 11, wherein said rule

change instruction ~~means~~ part refers to the display range determined by said display range determination ~~means~~ part, and makes the instruction for the change of the user input process rules based on a result of each of said the component elements included in the display range.

17. (Currently Amended) The display device according to claim 11, wherein each of said the user input process rules included in said user input process rule change ~~means~~ part defines a process assigned to each type of said the user input.